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Column One
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OVER an ever-widening area of the globe, conscience has become a voice so still, that it can hardly be said to disturb the affairs of State or those who manage them. The pacifist, or conscientious objector, tends more and more, therefore, to be regarded not merely as a moral eccentric but also as one who alienates himself from the State. For the State, in lifting itself above personal conscience, has become a force opposed to it, less for ideological reasons than in the interests of that overwhelming preoccupation of nearly all modern States — security, which has become today a compelling internal as well as external question. The case of Mr. Zichroni, whether that gentleman's conscience is genuine or not is an example of the steadily-widening division between the State, which thinks in terms of its security, and the individual who still thinks in terms of personal morality.

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IN varying degree this conflict, in which the human conscience seems inevitably to be worsted, is affecting the outlook of State and citizen in many countries where, it is claimed in defence, the democratic system must have its protesting branches lopped in order to preserve its roots. In one of the most significant judgements of our day, an American tribunal has found that a great — and loyal — American scientist who had done more than any other to build up the atomic superiority of the United States, is no longer a good State risk because at one time he opposed, on moral grounds, the building of the hydrogen-bomb and because he remained loyal to certain friends whose activities had been investigated and found suspect by the F.B.I. This great scientist was not himself declared a security risk, nor could any evidence of disloyalty be brought against him. He was, however, found by the tribunal to have seriously disregarded "the requirements of the security system." The system, it is seen from this considered judgement, has become identical with the idea of security itself; and from that it may be deduced that not only the simple and impressive conception of the State is above human conscience, but also the system by which the State seeks to maintain itself. Admittedly, that is still a very long step from totalitarianism, in which a particular government is itself the system and its security identifiable with the State's security.

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THE proposed new Israel law defining (at times vaguely) offences against the State, fits logically to the attitude of the Ministry of Defence towards conscientious objection and is in line with the principle expressed in the majority judgement of the Oppenheimer tribunal. In practice, the proposed Bill seems to be less threatening to ordinary liberties and less draconic in its scale of penalties than earlier press reports indicated. Without stating directly the case of the State against personal conscience it does however, leave no one in any doubt of the State's authority high above the individual and of its right, through Government, to put aside certain traditional safeguards of civil liberty and personal conscience where those safeguards are considered to be an obstacle not merely to military security but also to security. But the Bill is not unique. More and more democratic countries have felt moved to impose similar legislation. What is perhaps a trifle odd and even disconcerting is that the new Israel Bill was presented by a Progressive, or Liberal, Minister of Justice, at the instance of a Social Democratic, even Socialist, Party which is dominant in the Coalition Government.

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IT may not be so very odd after all. Old and honoured labels are affixed to persons and parties like ribbons won on some long-ago, forgotten battlefield. What are we to say, for example, when the learned and gentle Archdeacon of London, preaching in St. Paul's, describes pacifism as a heresy? "Not bombs, but people are dangerous." That, of course, is at least a half-truth; and it is presumably with the half truth that Governments today are concerned, whether it be a Eichrul or an Oppenheimer that confronts them, or the persons, individually or collectively, contemplated in Mr. Reeve's Bill. Without a doubt, pacifism, like true freedom, is a heresy of partisanism; and conscience, carried too far, may become a subversive incitement.

Jerusalem, June 16.

Vague Terms of Bill On Security Criticized

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Some agreement that the terms of the Security of the State bill were too vague, and that persons could be sentenced for bagatelles, particularly in view of the fact that attempts and not only completed acts are punishable, emerged from yesterday's continuation of the Knesset debate on the first reading of the law.

In general, the debate was occupied by opposition prophecies that the loose definitions of the law would be exploited by the Government to silence political opposition, and coalition support of the law and criticism of some of its paragraphs.

The Minister of Justice, Mr. P. Rosen, is to reply to the debate today.

A lucid and effective argument in favour of the basic principles of a security law was made by Mr. I. Harari, (Progressives). He said that the speakers who had most violently attacked the law, such as Dr. M. Sneh, (Left Faction), had not suggested ways of perfecting or improving it, but had simply opposed the law as such.

He then listed 20 separate incidents since the establishment of the State, in each of which a party or group of persons attempted to overthrow the Government by force.

As he listed the incidents, beginning with the attempted landing of the arms ship Altalena, different parts of the house in turn took up the cudgels for the offenders. Referring to the murder of Count Bernadotte in Jerusalem in 1948, Mr. Harari said, "Shall men in a jeep determine Israel's foreign policy? All for the excessive liberalism of Dr. Sneh?"

Teaching With Bombs

Speaking of the bomb in the late Mr. Pinkas' house, Mr. Harari said that he himself had also been opposed to the banning of traffic on the Sabbath, but was Israel to be taught how to conduct its life with bombs? Responsibility for this attack had not been brought home to the guilty persons. And still Mr. Bar Yehuda maintains that there is no need to fear for internal security.

He ended his list, which also included the bombs exploded outside the Czechoslovak and Soviet legations by saying "You cannot run a state on bombs... I have heard this law compared to 'Czarist tyranny'... and the High Commissioner's orders. The essential difference is that this is our Government, flesh of our flesh, and if we do not like it, a simple vote will end its powers and turn it out."

The Bill had earlier been violently attacked by Dr. Y. Bader (Herut) and Dr. M. Sneh (Left Socialist). Dr. Bader said that it had been conceived by "diseased minds," and protested in particular against the clause requiring any person knowing of criminal intent to report his knowledge or be considered an accessory to the offence, so that wives might have to inform against husbands, and children against parents.

Dr. Sneh who declared that the law was aimed against every man in his democratic struggle, and not against rebels, scored unexpected successes with verbal gymnastics when he said, "Your Syroude is just a main road to imperialism," and attacked the Government's "Mackist" policies laid down by "MacCarthy, MacCarran and MacGurion."

Party Allegiance

The end of his address was obscured by noise from the floor when he offered to "carry the flag of independence and freedom," and he was pointedly asked when he would again change his party allegiance.

Mr. Z. Warhaftig, who has returned to his office of Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs, asked for a law based on Jewish sources, and quoted legal decisions made by King David, and recorded in the Bible, to show that intended treason had not been punished at that time.

Mr. B.S. Sassoon, (General Zionists) in discussing certain details of the Bill, said that the clause providing life imprisonment for volunteers in enemy forces was untenable. What would be Israel's reaction to a Jordan law ordering a similar penalty for Jews in the Israel Defence Force who held foreign citizenship?

Mr. H. Rubin (Mapam), said that many of the clauses interfered with the citizen's rights. He cited in particular the clause empowering the police to hold suspects for up to 90 days without a warrant, and without making the fact of the arrest known to anyone. He said that the Bill was a "rubber stamp law" which failed to define offences and could be made to cover anything at all.

Mr. E. Livneh (Mapai) read off a dozen paragraphs of the Bill to illustrate its loose wording. This vagueness of definition, he said, was particularly dangerous when coupled with the provision for minimum sentences. The combination of the two could well lead to harsh sentences for acts which were not crimes.

Pamphleteer Detained

For distributing leaflets against the "Fascist Bill of Crimes Against the State," a 23-year-old man was detained in Tel Aviv on Monday night.

The leaflets were confiscated and the youth, whose name was not revealed by the police, was released on bond pending hearing of his case.

ACCOUNT GIVEN

An account of his visit to the Israel legations in Eastern Europe was given to the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee yesterday by Mr. Shmuel Bentsur, head of the Eastern European Division of the Foreign Ministry.

Saud, Hussein Talk Of Common Projects

King Saud, of Saudi Arabia, and King Hussein, of Jordan, are reported to have discussed the question of the rebuilding of the Hedjas railway, the purchase by Saudi Arabia of Jordan crop surpluses, and the question of financial support for the Jordan National Guard, at their meeting in Amman yesterday.

The King cancelled his visit to the Old City of Jerusalem today to be able to continue his talks.

The Lebanese Premier, Abdullah el Yafi, who participated in the first stage of the talks, returned to Beirut today.

Damascus newspapers reported today that King Hussein was expected to marry one of the numerous daughters of King Saud.

The Supreme Guide of the Moslem Brotherhood, Sheikh Hassan el Hodeibi, who is at present in Beirut, has postponed his visit to Jordan to be able to make a more extensive tour of the Lebanon.

It was officially announced in Beirut that the talks were successful, and that agreement was reached in El Yafi's discussions with both kings.

(Reuter, U.P., NBAABS)

Hutchison Expected To Be Reappointed

UNITED NATIONS, Tuesday (UP). — The reassignment of Commander Elmo Hutchison, Chairman of the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission, is "under advisement" by the U.S. Government, official sources said today.

Unofficially, however, there were strong indications that Commander Hutchison, who has been severely criticized by Israel for his conduct of the office would be reappointed.

His assignment expires on July 1.

Patrol Fired On Near Beit Govrin

An Israel unit patrolling the Israel-Jordan Armistice lines south of Beit Govrin was fired on yesterday afternoon, the Army spokesman announced. There were no casualties.

It was officially announced in Amman yesterday, according to Reuter, that Jordan had lodged two complaints with the Mixed Armistice Commission alleging flights by three Israel planes over Katana village in the Jerusalem area and one over Budrus village in the Ramallah area.

Marauder Jailed Thirteen Years

BEERSHEBA, Tuesday. — An infiltrator from the Gaza Strip was sentenced to 13 years in prison by a military court here today on a charge of taking part in an armed raid. He was also sentenced to three years in prison for entering a closed area without permit.

This sentence, as well as a sentence of two years passed on the prisoner in the Rehovot civil court for breaking into a cowshed in Imunim in January, will run concurrently with the longer sentence.

Gov't Chemists Begin Strike

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The medical microbiologists and chemists in Government service will begin a three-day warning strike tomorrow, in protest against the delay in negotiations on re-grading.

The agreement on re-grading these laboratory workers in the Government, Hadassah and Kupat Holim was signed in October 1953, but was implemented only in the Histadrut Sick Fund laboratories, the Government employees claim. Hadassah was also beginning to regrade its staff but there was no understanding in the Civil Service Commission as to the needs of laboratory workers, it was claimed.

The Histadrut Civil Service Association has not sanctioned the strike.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

A bomb exploded at the Ardennes Communist Party headquarters at Charleville, in eastern France, late last night, smashing scores of windows.

C-o-L Rises One Point

The C-o-L index rose one point during May to 218 points. The increase is due to the 18% rise in rents revealed by a survey begun in January into rent changes from September, 1951 until the passage of the Rent Law last April.

During May, there was an increase in the average prices of fresh meat and malt beer, and a drop in the price of potatoes, tomatoes, cucumber, marrow and onions.

With September 1951 as 100, the C-o-L index has risen as follows: January, 1952: 113; October, 173; January, 1953: 181; April 187; October, 207; December, 212; January, 1954: 214; February, 216; March, 217; April, 217.

Future US Aid May Be in Foodstuffs

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (INA) — The House Foreign Affairs Committee is reported to have given tentative approval yesterday to a proposed amendment of the Mutual Security Act which would replace economic aid with one billion dollars worth of surplus agricultural products.

The action, which it was thought would be cheaper for the U.S. and also help American farmers, was taken at a closed session of the Committee.

The Committee also released the recent testimony of the Foreign Operations Chief, Mr. Harold Stassen, in connection with aid to Israel. Mr. Stassen said that the export of Israel oranges to the Soviet Union was aiding the free world in the ideological fight against Communism. He also spoke in favour of the development of Jordan water resources.

He criticized both Arabs and Israelis for not talking to each other.

The economic adviser to the State Department's Near East Bureau, Mr. Arthur Gardiner, criticised Israel for withdrawing from the Israel-Jordan MAC. Mr. Gardiner outlined six steps which the State Department "would like" Israel to take: compensate the Arab refugees; release further frozen Arab bank accounts; come to terms on the division of the Jordan waters; consider still further possibilities for the return of Arab refugees; adopt a more conciliatory attitude towards the Arabs, and reassure the Arabs that Israel has no expansionist tendencies.

$300,000 FOR ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (INA). — The Foreign Operations Administration today announced the authorization of $100,000 worth of motor vehicles and spare parts for Israel. Another authorization of $100,000 for tractor parts was announced at the same time.

UN REGIONAL CHIEF HERE

The Director of the U.N. Information Centre in Athens arrived yesterday morning for a seven-day visit. He will meet with officials of the Foreign Ministry, and will tour the country.

US, Jordan Sign $8m. Economic Aid Pact

AMMAN, Tuesday (Reuter). — The Jordan Government has signed an agreement with the U.S. for a grant of $8m. in aid, it was officially announced here today.

The grant will be spent on economic and agricultural projects.

The joint conference of the U.N. Relief and Works Agency and voluntary agencies of welfare workers opened yesterday in Ramalla to discuss problems facing them. Twelve UNRWA field workers from the Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, and Gaza, and by 12 voluntary Agency workers from Christian organizations are attending the conference.

The five-day programme of the conference will include the use of illustrative material and practical demonstrations at lectures and group discussions.

Shilumim, Ministry Differ on Imports

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Differences of opinion exist between the Shilumim Corporation and the Ministry of Commerce and Industry on importing goods which may harm local industries, Mr. Hillel Dan, Director-General of Shilumim, said yesterday in an address to the Trades Union Department of the Histadrut, it was reported here today.

Mr. Dan said that in certain cases the Shilumim Corporation refrained from executing orders, despite import licences issued by the Ministry, because it learned that they might compete with local production.

The Corporation today published a denial of a press report that German experts would come here to supervise the launching of the floating dry dock ordered in West Germany.

There are local experts available for that, and others were now in Germany, supervising construction work there, it was stated.

NEW OFFICERS

Hundreds of new cadets were graduated on Monday at a passing-out parade at the Officers' School of the Israel Defence Forces, it has been announced.

Ex-Premiers Join In Opposition To Mendes-France

PARIS, Tuesday (UP). — A powerful bloc of France's ex-Premiers joined forces today in an attempt to prevent National Assembly approval of M. Pierre-Mendes-France as Premier.

The handful of statesmen, who in turn had briefly guided France since World War Two, moved to prevent a "new broom" government promised by M. Mendes-France from sweeping out many of the nation's policies.

Fighting them was a group of young enthusiasts willing to cross party lines to support the 47-year-old Radical Socialist. They banked on him because they felt that he can bring a breath of life to the moribund French political arena, now four days into its 19th post-war crisis.

M. Mendes-France stayed strictly clear of the political bickering. Since he was chosen by President Rene Coty to try and mend the crisis opened by the resignation of M. Joseph Laniel, he has confined his discussions to the technical problem of finding a satisfactory policy.

He is expected to go before the Chamber on Thursday for investiture. His policy speech, informants said, will be based mainly on a way to end the Indo-China war plus sweeping internal reforms to put France's house in order economically. His platform may well win him Socialist support. Their 105 votes went for him last time.

BUU LOC RESIGNS

SAIGON, Tuesday (Reuter).— The Vietnamese Prime Minister, Prince Buu Loc, has decided to resign, it was authoritatively learned here tonight. He will make the announcement on Thursday.

His decision threatens to leave both France and the largest of the three Associated States without a Government at a crucial moment in Indo-China's history.

4th Iraqi Cabinet Minister Resigns

BAGHDAD, Tuesday (Reuter).— A fourth member of the Iraqi Cabinet, Minister of Agriculture Abdul Ghani Dalli, submitted his resignation today "on grounds of ill health."

Minister of Interior Said Kazaz resigned yesterday, and the Ministers of Health and Communications submitted their resignations last week.

Meanwhile, final election results have given four additional seats to the Umma Socialists, three to Independents and one each to the Constitutional Unionists and the National Front.

King Faisal is still consulting party leaders to form a new government. The Constitutional Unionists have 43 seats against 20 Umma and 55 Independents, and are expected to form a coalition headed by an Independent.

Bevan Sees No Easing In Arab Fanaticism

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). — Mr. Aneurin Bevan, leader of the Left-wing of the British Labour Party, said here today that there appeared to be no easing in the "fanatical hostility" of the Arab states.

This hostility was not only doing great harm to Israel but also to the Arab states, he told a luncheon of the Anglo-Israel Chamber of Commerce.

The success of Israel economically was a two-way affair. Just to the degree that she succeeded, to that extent she was becoming a ferment in the Middle East. The Arabs, he added, compared their own standards with those of Israel and to that extent Israel was an agitator.

Israel was also showing the Arabs what can be done with their own resources when they begin to forget their hostility and apply themselves to intelligent development.

By helping Israel economically, one would not only consolidate a most extraordinary experiment, but would also make a priceless contribution to progress and settlement in one of the most dangerous parts of the world.

However, Israel would not be safe if developed by herself, without a similar development around her. She could not be a successful oasis in a desert of increasing poverty.

Korean Parley Collapses; Churchill, Eden to Visit US

Washington Says Trip 'Informal'

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). — Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill and the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, will fly to the U.S. on June 24, at the invitation of President Eisenhower, the Premier announced in the Commons today.

The leader of the opposition, Mr. Clement Attlee, said that he welcomed this visit. He hoped that the contacts in Washington would lead to "further talks" for which the House had expressed a desire. (Recently the Commons adopted a resolution calling for talks between the heads of states).

Sir Winston also stated that Mr. Eden would make a full statement on the Geneva conference in the House next week.

In Washington, the Secretary of State, Mr. Dulles, said that the visit of the British leaders was one of a normal series and did not stem from any emergency. He stated that the visit would permit Sir Winston and Mr. Eden to review the progress on the American-sponsored plan for a South East Asian alliance. No policy decisions, however would be taken, Mr. Dulles added.

Officials in Washington emphasised that the Washington meeting would not be a "conference." The accent on the informal nature of the talks was taken to mean that there was no question of going over France's head.

UN to Meet Today On Thai Request

UNITED NATIONS, Tuesday (UP). — The U.N. Security Council has been summoned to meet tomorrow to debate Thailand's request for U.N. peace observers to be sent to her frontier with Indo-China.

The meeting was called by the Council Chairman, Mr. Henry Cabot Lodge (U.S.) at the request of the Thai delegate, Mr. Thanat Khoman.

Broad Power Wanted For Asia Observers

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (Reuter). — The Secretary of State, Mr. Dulles, at his news conference today, stated that the U.S. wanted the broadest powers possible for any peace observation team which might be sent to South-East Asia.

He was commenting on tomorrow's Security Council meeting to discuss the Thai request for a peace observation team to supervise her border with Indo-China.

Mr. Dulles said that the U.S. for a long time had favoured ample jurisdiction for the U.N. on safeguarding the security of South-East Asia. However, the U.S. must take hard realities into account. Therefore any resolution to be presented tomorrow must be of a kind which could be expected to receive maximum support. Moreover there was always the danger of a Soviet veto.

Mr. Dulles added that in the past some of the states of the area had not wanted the U.N. to deal directly with the Communist threat. He was glad to note that some countries had now moved towards the U.S. position on this question.

Peking May Establish London Diplomatic Mission

GENEVA, Tuesday (Reuter).— Reports circulated here today that the People's Government of China may agree to send a diplomatic mission to London shortly.

Britain is already represented in Peking. It is understood that Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden and the Chinese Prime Minister, Mr. Chou En-lai, during private talks, have discussed the possibility of China sending similar representatives to London.

Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill told the Commons today that he hopes "a statement may be made shortly" regarding diplomatic relations between Britain and China.

East Fails in Bid To Prolong Talks

GENEVA, Tuesday (UP). — The 16 United Nations at the Korean peace conference issued a declaration today blaming the Communists for the failure to unify the country and announcing their intention to end the parley.

A senior Western delegate said after today's session—the 18th—that the Korean conference was "all over."

Earlier, at today's plenary session on Korea, China and Russia agreed by implication that the Far East conference here had failed in its main purpose.

The Chinese Premier, Mr. Chou En-lai, in supporting a last-minute North Korean set of proposals, said: "Though in the present situation of this conference we are unable to reach agreement now on the peaceful unification of Korea, we should still strive to reach agreement on the question of consolidating peace in Korea."

Foreign Minister V.M. Molotov (USSR) called on the conference to declare that pending a final settlement of the problem "no action shall be taken which might constitute a threat to the maintenance of peace in Korea."

Read by Prince Wan Wait Yakon, Thailand's Foreign Minister, and signed by the 16 countries, the declaration referred the whole problem back to the United Nations.

"We are obliged to conclude, to our regret and against our will, that as long as the Communist delegations reject the two fundamental principles that we consider indispensable, it is superfluous that the conference go on with the study of the Korean question," it said.

Faces Facts

It declared that "it is better to take the disagreement as a fact rather than to give birth to false hopes and mislead the peoples of the world by having them believe that there is an agreement when there is none."

Mr. Chou called for a private session of the Soviet Union, the U.S., France, China, Britain and North and South Korea to consider the latest North Korean proposals.

These proposals, which aim at limited agreements between the two halves of the country, closely resemble those put up by Russia for Germany when the Berlin conference failed last February. A senior Western spokesman said tonight that the non-Communist side rejected the proposals, as acceptance, in the Western view, would put the situation in Korea back to what it was in 1950 before the Communists invaded the South.

The proposed article declaring the "incompatibility" of separate alliances with the peaceful unification of the country would invalidate the recent U.S.-South Korean pact.

The reduction of the forces of both sides to 100,000 each under another article, would put South Korea at the mercy of China, only a few miles away, the official added.

(UP, Reuter)

EDEN MEETS MOLOTOV

GENEVA, Tuesday (Reuter). — The British and Soviet Foreign Ministers, Mr. Eden and Mr. Molotov, met here today at the later's request. No details of the conversation were available.

JOHNSTON DUE IN ISRAEL TOMORROW

Special Envoy Eric Johnston, President Eisenhower's special envoy on Jordan River development schemes is due to cross the lines into Israel at Mandelbaum Gate in Jerusalem early tomorrow afternoon. He and his party are flying to Kalandia airstrip from Cairo, where Mr. Johnston is at present conferring with Arab officials.

According to NEABS, Mr. Johnston has accepted a Lebanese invitation to visit Beirut after his talks in Israel.

In Cairo today, the chief Egyptian negotiator, Brigadier Mahmoud Riad, said that the Arabs would never discuss an Israel development scheme.

Yadin Warns Against Hope in Iraqi Army

NEW YORK, Tuesday. — The former Chief of Staff of the Israel Defence Forces, Ray-Aluf Yigal Yadin warned here yesterday that it was a dangerous assumption that the Iraqi Army could be made a stabilizing force in the Middle East.

Speaking at a luncheon given in his honour at United Nations headquarters by the Israel delegation, he said that if it were true that the Iraqi Army was going to be a "stabilising factor" in the Middle East, "I humbly say that I think the peace is going to be a very precarious one."

He said that "we in Israel are worried if it is the intention of anyone to give the Iraqi Army weapons and supplies. In important power politics I don't think they have any real value whatsoever. But as far as Israel is concerned, it would be more than of nuisance value."

The Iraqis had lacked the will to fight even against Israelis, whom they considered their bitterest enemies. They could not be expected to fight anyone else.

(U.P., Reuter.)

Planes Employed Against Tunisian Outlaws

TUNIS, Tuesday (Reuter). — French fighter and reconnaissance planes went into action last night against bands of outlaws who have been attacking French owned farms in western Tunisia.

Moroccan troops brought to Tunisia to fight the outlaws took part in the operation in which 13 terrorists were killed.

A Swiss farmer who had been kidnapped by the outlaws some days ago was found wounded but alive yesterday.

Under new emergency regulations, taxis and hired cars may no longer leave city limits except with a special permit.

Jews Third Largest Yakutsk Community

NEW YORK, Tuesday (INA). — Jews are the third largest community in the Yakutsk region of Siberia, according to a despatch to "The New York Times" from its correspondent now touring the region.

SYRIAN ENVOY TO RUSSIA SWORN IN

DAMASCUS, Tuesday (Reuter). — Darid Khani was sworn in today in the presence of President Atassi as Syrian Minister to the Soviet Union, a post that has been vacant for the last three years.

WEIZMANN INSTITUTE GETS $100,000

BOSTON, Tuesday (INA). — A bequest of $100,000 to the Weizmann Institute of Science has been announced by the trustees of the estates of Mr. Jacob Ziskin, a Fall River industrialist and philanthropist. Grants totalling more than $3m. were made to various philanthropic causes.

Canadian Group To Drill for Oil Here

TORONTO, Tuesday (INA). — The management of Central Explorers, Ltd., announced here today that it would start prospecting for oil in Israel.

The company is an independent oil concern operating in western Canada and Texas.

In Israel, Central Explorers will act under a contract with the Israel Continental Oil Co. The North American concern will pay 50% of the cost of drilling the first well for a 30% interest in the output.

In all additional wells to be drilled in the surrounding area, Central Explorers will supply 40% of the cost for a 40% interest.

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Social & Personal

The President yesterday appointed Mr. Yehuda Cohen, Mr. Shlomo Lowenberg and Mr. Emmanuel Slonim as District Court Judges. The judges were presented to the President by the Minister of Justice, Mr. Pinhas Rosen, and the Director of Law Courts, Mr. Y. Eisenberg.

The President yesterday visited the Ort Vocational Training School in Jerusalem on the occasion of the school's annual exhibition of products made by the students.

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Mr. William E. Cole, the new U.S. Consul-General in Jerusalem, arrived with Mrs. Cole early yesterday morning. The Consul-General paid a call upon the Jerusalem District Representative, Dr. A. Biran, in the morning. In the afternoon a reception was held in his honour by the American Consul and Mrs. Philip P. Williams. Mr. Williams is returning to his former post in Tel Aviv. Members of the U.N. staff, led by General Vagn Bennike, the Consular Corps and leading members of the community were present. Mr. Cole served previously as Consul in the Gold Coast and in Trieste.

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Mr. Zalman Shazar, M.K., and Mr. Amos Landman, Haifa Port Manager, returned yesterday in the s.s. Negbah.

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Mrs. Hannah Even-Tov has been appointed Administrative Director of the Central Bureau of Statistics and Economic Research in the Prime Minister's Office. Mrs. Even-Tov will also serve as Chairman of an inter-Ministerial Committee dealing with journeys of Government workers abroad.

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Mr. Hillel Dan, Director-General of the Shilumim Corporation, and Mr. Asher Citron, the Commercial Director of the Corporation, left yesterday by S.A.S. for a two-week visit with the Israel Purchasing Mission in West Germany.

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Mr. Daniel Agron-Agronsky, of the Bedek Aircraft Maintenance Base at Lydda Airport, is now visiting Turkey, and expects to visit Greece, on behalf of the enterprise.

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Dr. Israel Reichert, Professor of Plant Pathology in the Hebrew University's Faculty of Agriculture, has been invited to deliver two lectures at the International Congress of Botany due to open in Paris at the beginning of July. Professor Reichert has also been elected Vice-President of the Pathology Section at the Congress.

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Professor William Haber, President of the American O.R.T. Federation and Professor of Sociology at the University of Michigan, arrived with Mrs. Haber yesterday for a week's visit.

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Prof. Samuel Eilenberg of Columbia University will deliver the first of a series of lectures on Homological Algebra under the auspices of the Mathematics Division of the Faculty of Science at the Technion at 6:15 p.m. today. The lecture will take place in Room 20 at the Technion, Haifa.

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The Haifa Chapter of the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel elected the following officers at its annual general meeting on Monday: Mr. M. Levy, President; Mr. H. Sanderson, Vice-President; Mrs. L. Hoofler, Secretary; and Dr. A. Agranat, Treasurer. Mr. M. Lepkin, retiring President, and 19 other persons, were elected to the Executive Committee.

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Dr. Isadore Fankuchen, of the Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, now visiting Israel as a guest of the Weizmann Institute, will deliver two guest lectures under the auspices of the Technion tonight, Wednesday June 16, in lecture hall No. 12 of the Technion. The first, at 5 p.m., will be on "Some New Techniques in X-Ray Diffraction," the second at 8.30 p.m., will be on "X-Ray Diffraction in Chemistry."

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EXPRESSION OF THANKS

Erwin and Nelly Tauber-Frank, Geneva, on leaving Israel, wish to thank their friends and say to all — "au revoir."

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OBITUARY

MRS. HEDWIG PERLES

The sudden death at the age of 78 of Mrs. Hedwig Perles (nee Behr), wife of the late Rabbi Prof. Felix (Baruch Asher) Perles, took place in Jerusalem on June 14, 1954. Deeply mourned by her four sons, daughters-in-law and two grandchildren, all in Israel.

PRESS REVIEW :

Johnston Visit Should End 'Ostrich' Foreign Policy

The visit of Mr. Eric Johnston, President Eisenhower's special envoy who is due here tomorrow, should become a turning-point in Israel's foreign policy, and he should hear an unequivocal "no" to the U.S. State Department's anti-Israel intrigues, "Herut" says. It should be made clear to our guest that Middle East stability cannot be achieved by pressure on Israel, of all countries.

The paper charges the Foreign Ministry with an ostrich-like attitude towards the "political earthquake" which is shaking everything under our very feet just now, and of which the water issue is only one aspect. "Herut" feels that Mr. Johnston showed he was not objective when he reportedly praised the Arab irrigation scheme as "constructive."

"Hamodia" (Agudat Yisrael) is also concerned with the adverse trends in American Middle East policy, but warns us against an over-emotional attitude. We should not regard every neutral effort to find a settlement of Middle East problems as hostile *a priori*, but endeavour to understand the viewpoint of others, as well, and show by our deeds that our wish for peace is not just a matter of verbal declarations. The paper insists on our natural right to answer acts of aggression in kind.

In the recent declarations on an Egyptian-Saudi alliance "Zmanim" (Progressive) sees a political rather than a military gesture, calculated to counteract Western schemes to consolidate a defence bloc of Arab states before settling the Suez question. The "Palestine" issue has apparently been dragged in for Arab home consumption only.

"Haboker" (General Zionist) bitterly complains of the "lack of tact" of those responsible for Mr. Herbert Morrison's "conducted" tours in Israel. The paper asserts that the guest met only members of one party and of one class, and even the editors of the press had no opportunity to interview the British Labour leader, all his important statements having been made at factional meetings. We should not stand for such a situation which would be intolerable even under a one-party administration, and becomes intolerable under the present coalition Government.

In a second leader, "Haboker" laments the untimely death of a small merchant who allegedly committed suicide under the impact of an exorbitant income tax assessment. The paper urges the establishment of a committee to inquire into this tragic affair.

The same paper says *The Jerusalem Post* for its leading article on Asia's awakening, and more particularly for its favourable comment on the activities of Britain's Foreign Secretary Mr. A. Eden, which, according to "Haboker," might well be interpreted abroad as Israel support for Eden's policy of "appeasement."

Crimes Against State

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) makes an all-out attack on the bill of crimes against the State which is incompatible with the basic constitutional rights of the citizens, but at the same time does not contribute to the real security of the State, Mr. Y. Gruenbaum, in the same paper, finds it strange that ex-Premier Ben Gurion now blames the veteran population for neglecting the masses of Oriental new immigrants, while his own administration bears the main responsibility for the plight of the *ma'abara* dwellers.

"Davar" (Histadrut) hails the achievements of our part-time farmers, who should serve as a natural reservoir for agricultural settlements, and more particularly, for re-occupying the thousand homesteads and more that have been abandoned in various villages.

"Hatzofe" (World Mizrahi Movement) welcomes the gazetting of an ordinance against the breeding of pigs in most parts of the country as a first step in the right direction, and ascribes it to the relentless endeavours of the orthodox representatives in the Knesset and the Cabinet.

"Ha'aretz" (Independent), commenting on the Tel Aviv municipal budget, asks for a committee of inquiry on the problem of tax allocations between the different authorities. So far the municipalities have been the weak link in this regard.

Fewer Imports From Soviet Bloc

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Israel imports from countries of the Soviet Bloc dropped in the last five years from 20% of the total to 0.9% in 1953, Mr. Shlomo Rosen, chairman of the Mapam-sponsored Israel Committee for the Fostering of International Trade, said here yesterday. He was speaking at a meeting of businessmen trading with Soviet Bloc countries, which was attended by the Commercial Attaches of the U.S.S.R., Hungary, Bulgaria, Rumania and Czechoslovakia.

The speaker criticized the Government's alleged policy of depending on trade relations with the West almost exclusively and thought that fostering of trade with Soviet Russia and the People's Democracies could contribute much to the achievement of economic independence. He said that Russia was currently interested in importing woollen goods from here.

Mr. Rosen is head of the Economic Department of Hakibbutz Ha'Artzi.

SACRIFICES STILL NEEDED — MCDANIEL

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Tuesday. — "Extensive progress has been made in Israel during the past two-and-a-half years, but it behoves us all to realize that hard days are still ahead and that sacrifices must still be made as great as, or even greater than, those of the formative years of the State," Mr. B. McDaniel, retiring Director of the United States Operations Mission, told the Israel-American Friendship League here last night.

"The problems you face will call for a hard, day-to-day co-operative effort, and I am sure that every man and woman will do his or her share in this effort," he said.

Planning Rehovot Physics Institute

REHOVOT, Tuesday. — As a preliminary to planning and building the proposed Institute of Physics at the Weizmann Institute of Science, Dr. Amos de Shalit, Acting Head of the Nuclear Physics Group at the Institute, left by air yesterday on a visit to various capitals in Western Europe.

Dr. de Shalit will first study the organization of Physics Institutes in Copenhagen and elsewhere as the guest of the Danish Committee for the Weizmann Institute.

Another planner of the Physics Institute, Mr. Nahum Zalkind, Tel Aviv architect, also left by air yesterday for a tour of Physics Institutes in Denmark, Scandinavia, Britain and Switzerland. He will study building technique before preparing the plans for the new Physics building in Rehovot.

Other departures yesterday included Professor David Rittenberg, of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Columbia University, N.Y., and Mrs. Rittenberg. They had spent several months at the Weizmann Institute, where Prof. Rittenberg did research in physics. He is a member of the Weizmann Institute's Board of Governors.

Dead Sea Research

REHOVOT, Tuesday. — Dr. Wilhelm Hirschkind, noted research chemist and technical adviser to the Dow Chemical Co. in Midland, Mass, arrived here today for a ten-day visit. He is particularly interested in Dead Sea development possibilities.

("Dow Chemical Adviser"—P. 4)

LOCAL SPORTS ROUND-UP

Young Soccerites Celebrate Anniversary

Youth soccer teams celebrated the 30th anniversary of the formation of the Youth International of the Federation internationale de football Association with competitions at four venues over the week-end. The winning teams moved onto the finals.

At Petah Tikva, where eight Hapoel sides who beat Kfar Saba Hapoel 5-3 and Netanya Maccabi, who defeated Netanya Hapoel, 1-0, move up. From the games at Jaffa, with five contestants, Tel Aviv Maccabi Michmoret who beat Ganim Yehuda, 2-0, went further.

Haifa's Maccabi and Hapoel sides won the right for further play in a series in their own town, when the former overcame Hadera Maccabi, 1-0, and Hapoel pipped Haifa Hakoah on goal average.

At the last venue, Ramat Gan, Tel Aviv Maccabi, who gained wins over Tel Aviv Hapoel, 1-0, and Tel Aviv Bnei Yehuda, 2-0; and Raanana Hapoel, victors over Petah Tikva Maccabi, 1-0, and Tel Aviv Hapoel "B", 2-1, were the successful sides.

Hapoel Basketball Championships

The University team gained a narrow 63-60 win over Jerusalem Hapoel "B" in the Hapoel Basketball Championships Men "B" section in a game in the Capital over the week-end.

Bet Alpha's women's team won the championship in their section by defeating Tel Aviv 24-19 in the final.

In the Men's division, Lahav and Tel Aviv "B" moved onto the quarter-finals, with wins over Ores and Holon "B" on the Holon court. They will be joined by the sides from Mishmar Ha'Emek and Bet Alpha, who defeated Megiddo and Bet Hashitta respectively.

In a youth competition for a Cup donated by Tel Aviv Hapoel, in which four teams took part, the youth team of the donor club won the trophy with a 38-30 victory over a team from the Immigrant Camps.

Rehovot Bezalel Clinch Cup

Rehovot Maccabi Bezalel won the Maccabi Handball Cup in a "blitz" competition that was part of the events of "Maccabi Month." They defeated all other comers, and beat Maccabi North in the final.

The results were: Rehovot Bezalel beat Maccabi North, 11-0, Tel Aviv Hapoel, 4-3, and Rehovot Hapoel, 9-3. Tel Aviv Hapoel was second with wins over Rehovot Hapoel, 6-2, and Maccabi North, 8-0. Next came Rehovot Hapoel on points aggregate.

Central Command Wins Soccer Cup

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The Central Command eleven beat Armour 2:0 and won the Chief of Staff's Cup in a contest held in an Army camp "somewhere in Israel" today. The two goals were scored in the last ten minutes of the game.

Aluf Zvi Ayalon, O.C. Central Command, handed the cup to the winner, and the Army League Cup to the Armour eleven.

Maccabi Hoop Cup and League

A number of games were played over the weekend in the youth sections of the Maccabi Cup and League set-ups, while Kiryat Motzkin's youth team (for players born 1939) won a trophy in a contest in which four sides competed, by winning every game.

Results were: Maccabi Cup: Youth (b.1938): B.M.A. beat Ramat Gan, 69-53. Maccabi League: Youth (b. 1938): North Bt. B.M.A., 64-42. Girls: Tel Aviv bt. Hadera, 20-8. Youth (b.1939): Kiryat Motzkin bt. B.M.A., 38-33, Jerusalem, 52-46, and Tel Aviv, 34-26. Jerusalem bt. Tel Aviv, 35-28, and B.M.A., 43-40. B.M.A. bt. T.A., 40-21.

Tel Aviv Hapoel Top Cycle Race

In addition to the win and second place of two Tel Aviv Hapoel men, L. Tagansky and Amod Levi, respectively, in the 50 kms. by bicycle race on the Netanya road (as briefly reported Sunday), the junior event over 25 kms. also brought the first two places to club members.

Herzi Babai raced home in 47.0 minutes in front of clubmate A. Ostrover, who clocked 47.45. A new immigrant from France, Angio Isevarno, was third in 48 minutes flat. Arie Eitan, third in the seniors event, is from Brith Maccabim Atid.

Hope for Single Fund Drive in 1955-56

The general principles involved in unifying fund-raising abroad for Israel's academic institutions were discussed on Monday in Jerusalem by representatives of all the parties concerned in the presence of the Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol.

It seems probable that measures will be taken to ensure a single campaign for 1955-56 for the Hebrew University, the Technion, and the Weizmann Institute, which at present maintain separate drives.

Dr. Nahum Goldmann, Chairmann of the Jewish Agency Executive, initiated the meeting before his departure for Paris yesterday.

POSSESSING PIGS ILLEGAL JULY 10

Under the terms of an administrative order published in the Official Gazette, the raising or possession of pigs will be illegal, effective July 10, unless special permission has been granted by the Food Controller.

Although the order does not specify the conditions under which such permission will be granted, it is understood that it will be given only to residents of the Nazareth area.

Agency Helps Plan Alliance Programme

Mr. Marcel Franco, American delegate to the Central Committee of the Alliance Israelite Universelle in Paris, left yesterday morning by Air France for Rome, Paris and New York.

During his stay in Israel Mr. Franco assisted in the setting up of a joint Alliance—Jewish Agency Committee to study a budget and a programme of development for Alliance institutions in this country.

A French-Jewish organization, one of whose purposes is the development of Franco-Israel cultural ties, the Alliance maintains in Israel the Mikve Israel Agricultural School, the Lycee Cremieux, Professional School and School for the Deaf and Mute in Jerusalem, the Haifa Lycee and the School for the Deaf and Mute, and Lycee in Tel Aviv.

It maintains a total of 130 schools in North Africa, Iran, Israel and the Near East, with a school population of about 50,000 Jewish children.

A TWO-AND-HALF-YEAR old child, Avraham Unger, who had disappeared from his home in Beit Dagon, was found on Friday afternoon by the police dog, Ron, in an abandoned grove in the vicinity.

Czechs to Send 320,000 Women, Youths to Farms

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). — Czechoslovakia will direct 320,000 women and young people to work on the land this year and next year, the Prime Minister, Mr. Vilem Siroky, said on Sunday.

In a two-and-a-half hour speech to the Czech Communist Party Congress in Prague, read over Prague Radio, Mr. Siroky said it was "a matter for shame" that numbers of cattle and yields of some crops had not reached pre-war levels."

Those directed into agricultural work would be drawn from industry and the country's youth, and it would be "a great mistake" not to make use of the "large labour reserve" constituted by the female population, he said.

Czechoslovakia's overall agricultural production was "now roughly on the pre-war level" but these could be "no excuse" for the fact that yields of potatoes, sugar beet, flax hops and some other crops were below pre-war level.

Among the causes of the present "shortcomings" were the exodus of people from the land, organizational failures on the part of the Ministry of Agriculture, failure of the tractor stations to do "work of high quality," failure to give the peasants and members of the collective farms "sufficient interest in the increase of agricultural production" and the fact that investments in agriculture were not "properly used."

Collective farms would have to have more members and new collective farms would be set up "where conditions are favourable."

More Coal

He described the coal stocks position as "very tense" and urged higher output. Mr. Siroky said the nation's coal mines "did not systematically fulfil the coal production plan throughout the five-year plan which ended last December." He was not satisfied with the power supply. There had been frequent breakdowns which put 10% of the equipment out of action and caused supply cuts to factories and homes.

Though the capacity of power stations was now three times the 1937 figure, the building of new power stations was behind schedule and more power was needed. Iron ore output had gone up by only 10% on the pre-war figures, he complained.

Mr. Siroky also complained of poor quality industrial machines and an "entirely insufficient" supply to the villages of agricultural tools and small metal products. The building industry was short of bricks and timber and there had been numerous complaints about the quality of the new flats, he said.

Bias Declines in U.S., Joint Report Says

NEW YORK, Tuesday (Reuter). — The American Jewish Congress and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People report that race relations in the United States improved "slowly but perceptibly during 1953."

In their 6th annual joint survey the organizations reviewed civil rights' achievements of the first year of the Eisenhower Administration.

The new Administration, they said, "did not permit any retreat from gains achieved during previous years" and had "pressed several important reforms towards conclusion." It had also taken some steps "not previously attempted."

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"Finance and Economics in England", Mr. R. Elhanani, Commercial and Industrial Club, 17 A. Rehov Nahmani; 8.30 p.m.

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"Pygmalion," Chamber Theatre, 8.30 p.m.

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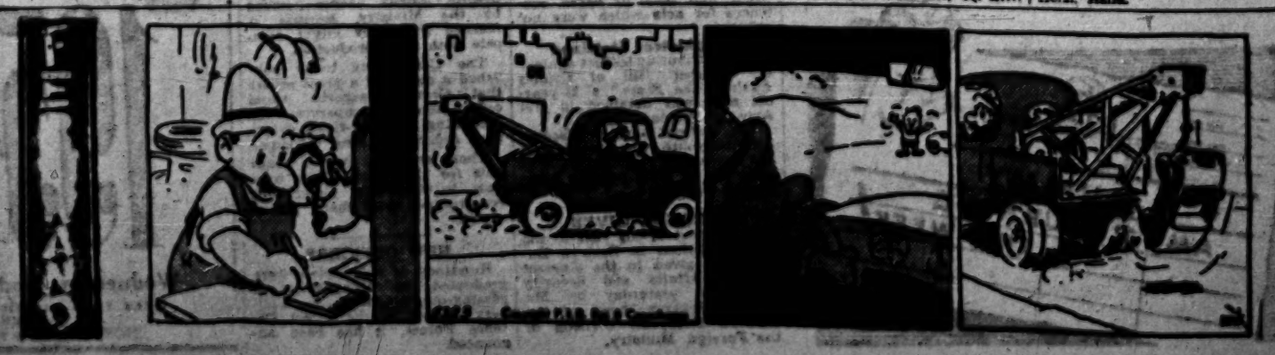

Today's Post Bag

THE WEATHER

	°A	B	C	D
Mt. Carmel	33	19	37	27
Tiberias	—	23	—	23
Haifa Port	29	20	27	27
Natanya	29	19	27	27
Tel Aviv North	31	19	29	26
Tel Aviv Port	32	20	25	25
Lydda Airport	33	19	33	29
Jerusalem	34	15	30	29
Beersheba	40	18	29	29
Eilat	41	25	35	28

FORECAST: Fair after dispersal of morning clouds.

°A) Standard at 5 p.m. B) Min. room temp. C) Maxim. yesterday D) Maximum temp. expected today

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THE COMMISSION inquiring into the death of Amos Tivon has appealed to parents, teachers and youth instructors who wish to give evidence to send their names and addresses within ten days to the "Tivon Commission," District Court, Haifa.

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SAFAD MUNICIPAL employees have threatened to go on strike on June 20 unless delays in salary payments are ended. The workers also complain of repeated delays in the transfer of dues to the Histadrut, which deprives them of Kupat Holim medical care.

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CITRUS GROWERS are being asked to examine their groves in view of an epidemic of *Ektir Asholuda* in various parts of the country. Experts from the Plant Protection Department are available for advice on the use of sulphur sprays. A pamphlet describing ways of fighting this tree sickness may be had on application to the Department.

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RESIDENTS OF REHOVOT and district may direct questions about tax collections to the Collections and Property Tax Division in Rehovot, Rehov Abad Haam, from next Sunday.

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THE CAVE OF ELIJAH on Mt. Carmel will be closed to the public every night except on Thursday, when it will be open to Talmudic students only.

103 Immigrants Arrive at Haifa

HAIFA, Tuesday. — There were 103 immigrants among the 271 arrivals on the s.s. Negbah here today. Most of the newcomers are from North Africa, and others included 10 from Bulgaria, 10 from South America, four each from Britain, Italy and Greece and one from Germany.

From Czernowitz, in Soviet Russia, came 61-year-old Gela Friedman. Many years ago she had applied to Premier Stalin for an exit visa, but had been refused. Recently she wrote again to Marshal Voroshilov, and was granted a visa. She travelled to Odessa by railway, but could not find a ship to Israel.

She continued to Moscow and flew to Vienna from there. Her travel expenses were paid by the Jewish Agency. She will join her daughter in B'nei Brak.

An elderly couple, Mr. and Mrs. Spitzer, 82 and 70 respectively, arrived from Budapest, and are to join their son in Kfar Hasharon.

Among other arrivals was the second section of the Lazio football team from Italy.

An immigrant family of six from Cuba arrived on the s.s. Hanegbia.

1,100 T.A. Children Mark Safety Day

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — "Safety Day" was marked by 1,100 Tel Aviv boys and girls in a ceremony at the Maccabi Stadium today. Fourteen of the children, who were assembled for the whole afternoon, were treated by the first aid post for the effects of the heat.

One girl, taken to hospital with sun-stroke, was later sent home.

Book prizes were given to 18 boys and girls for their essays on road safety.

After the ceremony, which was addressed by the Mayor, Mr. H. Levenson; Mr. Peltz, Tel Aviv Police Chief; Mr. M. Bar, the Controller of Road Transport, and Mr. M. Alroy, of the Road Safety Council, the children marched through the main streets of the town, preceded by the police band. All the children were white arm bands and white-ribboned caps, like those of the traffic police.

SOVIET TRADE ENVOY IN JERUSALEM

The Commercial Attache of the Soviet Legation, Mr. Zubkoff, met yesterday with Mr. E. Senyuk, Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry. They discussed at length matters of joint interest.

FIRESIDE CHATS

A quarterly hour series of "fireside chats" will begin at 8:30 on Kol Yisrael today. Persons in all walks of life will discuss their work problems. The series, called "The State We Are Building", will be introduced by Mr. Moshe Pearlman, Director of Government Information Services, who will speak tomorrow.

RATION NEWS

JERUSALEM: Fish for labourers: 400 gr. August 29. Pregnant: meat for invalids: 200 gr. Medical Assn. coupon dated 14/6.

TEL AVIV: Poultry for invalids: 500 gr., Het Aleph 2, Het Mem 12; 500 cards; for expectant mothers: 700 cards; for supplementary feeding: Yod 12, Lamed 1, for expectant mothers: 12, Yod 12, Kaf 14 in old books or 13, 20 in new; for invalids: 4 gm. Het Aleph 4 cards, 5 milk: 4 gm. Het Aleph 4 cards, 5 milk; 4 gm. Het 11 cards, 4 gm. Het 11 cards, 4 gm. Het Mem 20 cards. Poultry for expectant mothers: 700 gr. Het 11; for invalids: 500 gr. Het Aleph 4, Het Bet 11. Curd: 250 gr. Yod 24, Lamed 12.

Seligsberg School Plans Expansion

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Alice Seligsberg Vocational High School in Jerusalem—focal point of the youth training projects maintained by Hadassah—is to be greatly extended by a programme costing IL.500,000 for new premises and $100,000 for equipment, the Press was told yesterday.

Opposite The Jerusalem Post, old stone building which housed the Hadassah laundry 15 years ago, has already been razed to the ground to make way for the annex.

A row of Hadassah offices, formerly the X-ray Department, similarly awaits demolition.

Mr. E. Bed, the architect, explained that the ground floor will comprise a large kitchen, restaurant, and laundry, with a cake shop at street level. At a later stage, Hadassah will build a gymnasium, rooms for weaving and turnery and laboratories to complement existing facilities.

A transformation has already been effected in some decrepit workshops now converted into the psychotechnical Department, adjoining the Seligsberg School. Dr. A. Arnstein, head of the Department, said that it examined about 2,000 young persons each year, and on the basis of extensive ability tests advised on a career. Some 15,000 cases are indexed in the Department's files.

Professor Y. Elazar, Director of Hadassah's Educational Programme, disclosed that youth clubs and vocational training will soon be launched in four immigrant centres — Talpiot, Hartuv, Kastel and Kiryat Ha-yovel (Bet Mazmil), all in the Jerusalem region, in cooperation with the Ministry of Education.

The success of intensive six-week courses at the Kfar Vitkin Rural Vocational Centre was described by Mrs. A.M. Dushkin Chairman of the Project.

FATHER ABANDONS FOUR CHILDREN

Four children, aged two-and-a-half, five, seven and nine were left yesterday at the Social Welfare office of the Jerusalem Municipality by their father, Yosif Shemen, who had quarrelled with the employees of the office over his claims for relief. He has been out of work for some time.

The police searched for the man the entire day.

Best wishes to
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Less Meat and Fish, More Sugar And Produce Expected This Year

Although the State's foreign currency position has improved, many rationed commodities will be in short supply this year. This was revealed by an appendix to the 1954-55 Foreign Currency budget.

The expected average monthly consumption of wheat, cereals and grains is 12.68 kilograms, whereas the present average consumption is 15.96 kg.

The fats ration is expected to drop from the present 1,346 to 1,040 grams a month; meat and fowl, from 471 to 400 grams (but, for the first time, home-produced meat will be included in the general distribution) and fish from 1,228 to 1,080 grams.

On the other hand, there will be an increase in the monthly egg ration from 15 to 16; in butter, from 94 to 500 grams; yellow cheese from 50 to 300 grams; and sugar, from 1,883 to 1,950 grams.

The present level of fruit and vegetable consumption is also expected to rise, fresh vegetables from 8.6 to 10.9 kilograms; potatoes from 2.1 to 3.5 kilograms and pulses from 307 to 400 grams.

Three more grams of tea and three more grams of coffee a month, 40 of the first and 50 of the second, will be distributed.

New Drug Helps Mental Patients

By a Special Correspondent

A treatment offering quicker and more complete relief for certain mental patients than insulin or electric shock has been introduced into this country in the form of a new drug called "largactil." The drug, already in extensive use in the U.S., Canada and France, has had phenomenal success in the few cases treated here.

The main advantage of largactil over the old insulin and electric shock treatments is that its action is selective — eliminating the patient's initiative and drive without causing unconsciousness or impairing the intellectual faculties in any other way.

In addition, the treatment is not accompanied by any dangerous side effects and is much quicker, achieving recovery in from one to four weeks, in most cases, with very few cases lasting two to three months. Very little opposition on the part of the patients accompanies the new treatment.

The drug was first investigated in France by Delay and Deniker, and since then similar reports have been published in Switzerland and Canada.

Among the cases treated in this country is that of a paranoiac who left the hospital, after largactil treatment, completely recovered and with full insight into her former condition. Another woman who had never responded to insulin or electric shock treatments was also cured by the new drug.

The drug is not yet available in this country and in the cases treated here, it was obtained through relatives abroad. (Communicated).

J'lem Asks Gov't Help In Providing Jobs

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The staff of the Jerusalem Labour Exchange, numbering 30 men and women, held a sit-down strike in the office of Mayor Y. Kariv all day yesterday, in protest against the Municipality's failure to relieve unemployment in the Capital.

The daily workless figure now averages 1,400, they said, roughly equal to the unemployed registering in Tel Aviv and Haifa. The Mayor, in a letter dated June 9, promised to employ 350 men if the Ministry of Labour underwrote their pay. The Municipality would supply material and foremen. This plan has not materialized.

Deputy Mayor E. Elhachar, in charge of municipal finance, told the strikers that he was ready to endorse an order to resume work on the four schools, the construction of which has been halted, provided there was financial backing. "The cash-box is empty," he said, adding that revenue had dropped of late, and any income was earmarked for the municipal pay-roll.

The District Representative, Dr. A. Biran, told the Mayor yesterday that he agreed with him that it was up to the Ministry of Labour, not the local authorities, to alleviate unemployment.

Rent Tribunals May Begin Work Early Next Month

By a Legal Correspondent

Although more than two months have elapsed since the enactment of the new Tenants' Protection Law, the special tribunals which are to deal with its provisions have not yet been set up. It is now learned authoritatively that the Minister of Justice has decided to establish, for the time being, eight rent tribunals: one in Jerusalem, two in Tel Aviv, and one each in Haifa, Rehovot, Petah Tikva, and Natanya-Hadera. It is expected that the tribunals will begin to function early in July.

Each rent tribunal will be presided over by a Magistrate and will have two other members, chosen from the public and representing the interests of property owners and tenants, respectively. The panel of these members will be published within the next few days. Meanwhile, claims have already been filed with Magistrates Courts.

Numerous Claims Expected

Opinions are divided as to the number of cases to be expected: one view, probably the majority, holds that, since every citizen is either a property owner or a tenant or both, the tribunal will be swamped with petitions; others are of the opinion that, in order to avoid litigation and its costs, parties will be inclined to settle their differences out of court.

At all events, if the eight tribunals should prove insufficient, the Minister of Justice will increase their number. This involves, of course, budgetary difficulties which were greatly responsible for the delay in the establishment of the tribunals. Another cause of this delay was the difficulty of making available a sufficient number of Magistrates.

Unless provisions of the Court Fees Ordinance, 1953, apply, the fees for rent cases will be IL.10 for petitions concerning the rent of dwelling apartments, IL.15 in the case of business premises, and IL.10 for claims under other sections of the Tenants' Protection Law.

In Search of Magistrates

In the near future, six new Magistrates will be appointed. Three of these will replace Judges Yehuda Cohen, Jerusalem; Shlomoh Loewenberg, Tel Aviv, and Immanuel Skenim, Haifa, who have been promoted to District Courts.

Three other new magistrates are required for the north, for juvenile offenders in the north, and for a new circuit. Until now, there has been only one circuit judge, Chief Magistrate Zion Aluf, who serves in the Southern District. The purpose of this institution of circuit judges on the American model is to relieve ordinary Magistrates' Courts where too many cases are in arrear. Experience has shown this method to be highly successful.

The selection of these 14 new Magistrates — six for ordinary jurisdiction and eight for the rent tribunals — is being prepared by special sub-committees set up by the Minister of Justice and making their recommendations to the Committee for the Appointment of Judges. One of these sub-committees, Justice Agranat presiding, sat in Haifa last Sunday; two other sub-committees, under Justices Cheshin and Olshan respectively, will sit in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem on June 21 and 22.

New Courts Ordinance

Another important development in the administration of the law will be inaugurated shortly when the Minister of Justice introduces a new Courts Ordinance which is to replace the Mandatory Law of 1940.

The new Bill deals mainly with the competence of the various courts of law, their composition, and the division between civil and criminal jurisdiction.

The *Jerusalem Post* learns that the Director of Courts, Judge Yehoshua Eisenberg, will report next week to the Legislative Committee of the Knesset on the principles to be incorporated in the new law.

Mine Blasts Smash Dormition Panes

About 200 window panes, of the Dormition Abbey on Mt. Zion, some of them of stained glass, were smashed on Monday by the explosion of land mines in the no-man's land in the area.

The explosions occurred as a result of the brush fire which was extinguished last night. Smaller fires were still burning yesterday in the same area.

IL.35m. Spent On Factory Space

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Half-a-million square metres of industrial premises have been built in Israel in the past six years at a cost of IL.35m., a large sum which was not always rationally spent, Mr. Uriel Shalon, Chairman of the Engineers and Architects Association, said here today in opening a symposium on industrial building.

Mr. Shalon thought that industrialists paid too little attention to their premises. Neither the size of buildings nor the type of material used was always the best and frequently they were unnecessarily expensive.

The rate of building in square metres was as follows: in 1948, 5,000; 1949, 40,000; 1950, 48,500; 1951, 122,000; 1952, 182,000, and 1953, 186,500.

Mr. P. Hadas, Chairman of the Industrial Building Section of the Association, said that according to figures of the Investment Centre, 1,482 enterprises, with an investment of IL.413m., were approved in the past four years. Three-quarters of this sum was in foreign currency.

He said that, by now, 587 industrial enterprises have been or are being built with an outlay of IL.200m., IL.54m. of which was on building.

Professor S. Tilles, the American industrial efficiency expert, pointed out that convenient and pleasant industrial premises fostered productivity.

The symposium will be concluded tomorrow.

MEMORIAL LECTURE

The Chief Rabbi, Dr. I. Herzog, is to deliver a lecture at a meeting to mark the first anniversary of the death of Rabbi Shmuel Hillman, late Rabbi of the Beit Knesset Hagadol in Rehavia, to be held at the Synagogue, at 6 p.m. tomorrow.

Goldmann Offers Plan For Parties' Merger

LYDDA AIRPORT, Tuesday. — A proposal for a common action and possibly an ultimate merger between the General Zionist and Progressive parties was sent on Monday to Mr. F. Bernstein, President of the General Zionist Party, and to Mr. P. Rosen, Chairman of the Progressive Party, by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, Chairman of the Jewish Agency. Dr. Goldmann said today prior to his departure for Paris.

The proposal envisaged, as the first step, the establishment of a Knesset Bloc with a common policy. After an interval of several months, the two Parties were to form a single list for the general elections, the Zionist Congress and local bodies.

The decision should be made by the end of this year, Dr. Goldmann said. He hoped that the proposal would be accepted by the Conference of the General Zionists, which is scheduled to meet at the end of this month, and the convention of the Progressive Party, planned for July 16.

"This concludes my role as a match-maker in Israel," he remarked.

Dr. Goldmann expects to return to Israel on July 15 for the plenary session of the Jewish Agency.

Aguda Leaders Here For Convention

Sixty delegates and guests of the forthcoming convention of the World Agudat Yisrael, arrived at Lydda Airport yesterday by a chartered El Al plane.

Among them were Rabbi Eliezer Levine, Detroit, Mich., Rabbi J.M. Jacobson, Boston, Mass., Rabbi Meyer Schwartzman, Winnipeg, Canada, Rabbi E.R. Wolf, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and Rabbi Meier Pentel of New York.

Rabbi F.G. Nathan, Head of the Government Tourist Centre and leaders of the Aguda movement in Israel were at the airport to welcome the delegates.

The Convention opens on June 20.

Nazareth Council Meets Tomorrow

NAZARETH, Tuesday. — The Election Officer for the Tiberias district, Mr. M. Rush has called the recently elected Municipal Council for a second meeting on Thursday.

Despite the fracas of last week's meeting which arose because he had invited the Military Governor and members of the previous council, M. Rush has again invited them to Thursday's session.

Mr. M. Wahbi, 28, Clerk of the local Magistrate's Court, was arrested by the police today charged with breach of trust. Other court employees were also questioned but none was detained.

Documents were destroyed by a fire which broke out in the Municipal Finance Department office today. The police are investigating.

Brodetsky Memorial

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Selig Brodetsky saw no contradiction between his loyalty to his homeland, Britain, and to the Zionist cause, Mr. Berl Locker, Chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, said yesterday in Jerusalem at a memorial meeting on the occasion of the 30th day since the death of the former President of the Hebrew University.

Professor A.H. Fraenkel and Professor Norman Bentwich described Brodetsky's early struggles for education as the son of a Russian immigrant family living in London's East End.

Professor Benjamin Mazar, Hebrew University President, who presided, read a letter from President Ben-Zvi expressing his regret that he was unable to attend in person.

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Defence Budgets Hold Up Social Progress, Mrs. Myerson Tells ILO

GENEVA, Tuesday (Reuter). — The Israel Labour Minister, Mrs. Golda Myerson, today blamed large defence budgets for holding up social progress, when she addressed the International Labour Organization Conference.

"Each one of us, as he lists the legitimate reasons why his country cannot do more in this field, knows also the one conclusive answer: If only we could do away with the need of our large defence budget, how well we would use it for things worth while to make the lives of men, women and children more wholesome," she said.

"But this still remains in the realm of wishful thinking. We can only hope and exert every effort towards this goal so that the time may come in the not too distant future when we, the peoples of the world, will settle our differences of opinion by use of our brains and not by force of arms."

Mrs. Myerson, who is the only woman Labour Minister at the conference, stated that she did not believe the problem of unemployment had the same aspect in developing countries as in those already highly developed.

"How can we, of small or large countries, still undeveloped, speak of a surplus of manpower when within our boundaries there are unploughed lands, dry barren deserts and natural resources unexplored?" she asked. On the other hand, masses of people have not yet reached the minimum standard of dignified human existence.

"With this type of country, it is rather a lack of financial means of development, of skilled technicians and probably lack of sufficient organizational skill and certainly not a surplus of manpower," she added.

Mrs. Myerson concluded, "We cannot help but feel that this organization, because it deals with the problems of human beings, is bound to break down barriers of all kinds. Above all theories and ideologies, above all political and social systems, there is the dignity of the human being and his natural inborn right to freedom and well-being."

Snakes Hunted Under Ramle House

RAMLE, Tuesday. — Police armed with sten guns, iron rods and axes, were carefully digging this morning under the first floor apartment of Mrs. Nehama Konigman at 13, Rehov Tet here searching for a hideout of "many snakes." The forces of the law were summoned by Mrs. Konigman, who reported excitedly that she had seen three yellow snakes filing into a hole in the floor.

The digging continues and the nine inhabitants of the house have been evacuated.

AFL Chief Urges Policy of 'Strength, Not Bluff'

ATLANTIC CITY, New Jersey, (UP). — The President of the American Federation of Labour, Mr. George Meany said today that the time had come for the American people to demand a clear-cut foreign policy "based not upon bluff but upon strength."

Speaking at the 78th annual convention of the New Jersey Federation of Labour, Mr. Meany accused the Eisenhower Administration of "bungling" in the field of foreign policy. He also criticized the "weak" legislative record of the 83rd Congress.

Cables in Brief

BRANDEIS — Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt and Senator Herbert Lehman were awarded honorary degrees by Brandeis University during Monday's commencement exercises of the third graduating class, at which 159 students received their degrees.

UNINFORMED. — The British Foreign Office said yesterday that it had no knowledge of any incident corresponding to Saudi Arabian charges of British terrorism in the disputed Buraimi oasis on the Persian gulf.

ARRESTED. — Juan Comorera, a leading figure of Spanish Communism and Minister of Agriculture and Economy in the Regional Government of Catalonia during the Civil War, has been arrested in Barcelona.

QUAKE. — People rushed out of their house when a light earth tremor rocked the Carrara area, near La Spezia, in Italy yesterday. There were no casualties or damage.

RAILROAD. — Mr. Alfred Pearlman has been appointed President of the New York Central Railroad—the largest in the U.S.

Israel Cargo Ship Due in October

LYDDA AIRPORT, Tuesday. — The first Israel cargo ship of 7,000 tons now under construction in Hamburg, will be completed in October, Dr. N. Wydra, General Manager of Zim, said here this morning prior to his departure for Germany.

Two additional ships of a similar tonnage will be completed in Germany in December 1954 and in January 1955.

Dr. Wydra will also visit Copenhagen, where he will attend the Atlantic conference of companies operating passenger lines between the United States and Europe.

MORE NEWS

Kol Yisrael's 1:30 p.m. Hebrew news bulletin will be lengthened to 20 minutes from next Sunday, so as to include more local news, Mr. H. Givton, head of the News Department, has told the Press. The 8:30 p.m. news bulletin in Hebrew will also be lengthened (except on Sundays and Wednesdays) beginning July 1.

Radio Newsreel, now broadcast twice a week, will be heard four times a week, Mr. Givton said. The changes have been made on the suggestion of Mr. Z. Aranne, Minister without Portfolio, he added.

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LARGE REWARD

3 Parties Support Guatemala Regime

GUATEMALA CITY, Tuesday (UP). — Three political parties loyal to the Government of President Jacobo Arbenz have issued a manifesto pledging support "in a moment in which external and internal forces are plotting to subvert the country."

Guatemalan exiles in Mexico, meanwhile, claimed today that 400 persons had been arrested since the suspension of constitutional guarantees in Guatemala. The brother of the Guatemalan leader in exile, Colonel Castillo Armas, was reported to have been killed by security forces.

At Buenos Aires, Guatemala's Ambassador-at-large, ex-President Juan Arevalo, charged that the United Fruit Company was turning the whole world against Guatemala because of the company's controversy with his Government over the nationalization of some of its land.

The U.S. Secretary of State Mr. John Foster Dulles, told his press conference in Washington today that there was no doubt that a reign of terror existed in Guatemala.

In Washington, a Democratic member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, Mr. Clark Fisher, said today that the application of economic sanctions against Guatemala would be an extremely effective way of enforcing the Monroe doctrine against Communist intervention in the Western hemisphere.

Sen. Mansfield Backs Islanders' Rights

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (UP). — Senator Mike Mansfield (Democrat) said yesterday that the U.S. was denying the rights of the Marshall islanders by turning their island-homes into atomic testing grounds. He recalled that some of the islanders had been moved from their native land, and 235 had sufffered radiation injuries in the March 1 H-bomb test.

A member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Senator Mansfield asked that utmost consideration should be given to the islanders' petition to the U.N. for an end to the tests in their area.

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THE frequently quoted remark that an expert is a person who knows more and more about less and less contains a grain of truth. Nevertheless experts are indispensable, and ever since its inception, the Government of Israel has made ample use of their services. It is perhaps inevitable that sometimes the expert's recommendations are considered unacceptable, and it is also possible, in other cases that there is no need to invite foreign advisers when the country itself can supply them. But what seems to be an untenable practice is the secrecy surrounding most of the reports in question.

EXPERTS AND THE PUBLIC

Obviously, in matters concerning security such secrecy is necessary; it may also be justifiable in certain other fields, such as the exploitation of natural resources. But beyond that, there is no reason whatsoever to keep the public in the dark about reports which may serve as a basis for economic policy. For some time now we have had an Economic Advisory Staff of outstanding foreign experts, but in accordance with their instructions they report to the Government, and the citizen hears little or nothing of their activities and recommendations. The question must be asked why all the valuable work by the Economic Advisory Staff should be withheld from study by the large number of citizens who take an active interest in economic affairs. The Cabinet gives serious consideration to all these reports, but no one knows how many of them are buried in filing cabinets.

It is understood that another expert, the American statistician, Mr. Morris Ullmann, has been engaged in a study of our system of computing the retail price index and has no doubt submitted a report on this all-important subject, but outside Government offices no one seems to have seen this report. This case is of peculiar interest, not only because the cost-of-living index number determines wages and salaries, and thereby the cost of production and services, but because the whole construction of the index, which is based on surveys of the budgets of workers' families undertaken in 1950 and 1951 has been criticized, rightly or wrongly, as unrealistic. Secrecy in all such cases is unrealistic. Were the reports to be made available much valuable constructive comment might be forthcoming from the public. But publication must come from the Government itself and not from the experts on their own initiative, as happened recently in the otherwise completely excellent report on the price of bread.

LEST WE FORGET

A WEEK ago, the Golani Brigade, famed for its exploits in the War of Liberation, held a rally in Haifa. This week, the Har-El Palmach Brigade unit met in solemn assembly to do honour to the 416 of its members who fell in battle. The latter are especially dear to the hearts of Jerusalem, for without their tenacity and self-sacrifice, it is doubtful if the Capital would have been preserved.

Seven short years have passed since a concerted attack by the regular forces of Israel's Arab neighbours sparked off the War of Liberation. The world seems to have forgotten or chooses to forget this elementary historical fact, and pretends to be shocked when told who started the Israel-Arab war. They profess surprise to hear that the Arab Legion, from positions in the Old City, shelled New Jerusalem day after day, while Egyptian guns joined in the bombardment from heights near Bethlehem.

It was the Har-El Brigade which broke the siege of Jerusalem, reached Mount Zion in a daring assault, delivered the Jewish population of the Old City, guarded the hill settlements and broadened and kept open the corridor to the coast.

These things Jerusalem and the whole of Israel will never forget.

Italy Wins U.S. Support

Trieste Partition to Precede Balkan Pact

By WAYLAND YOUNG

ROME, (OFNS).—THE little diplomatic flare-up about the Balkan Pact is regarded here as having been extinguished to Italy's advantage. Marshal Tito has had to back down before American pressure, and the Yugoslav, Greek and Turkish Foreign Ministers are not to draw up the three-cornered military alliance before the end of August, by which time it is hoped, probably optimistically, that the Trieste problem will be settled.

The Italian Government reacted strongly to the suggestion that Greece and Turkey, two of Italy's partners in the North Atlantic Treaty, should contract a military alliance with Yugoslavia, a non-NATO State, while Italy and Yugoslavia were still at daggers drawn about Trieste. The fact that the alliance was intended as a defence against attack from the East and could never have been invoked against Italy did not affect the Italian objection, which was that the pact would mean in some measure integrating Yugoslavia into NATO military dispositions, and that at present an integrated defence of Trieste would have no hope of working.

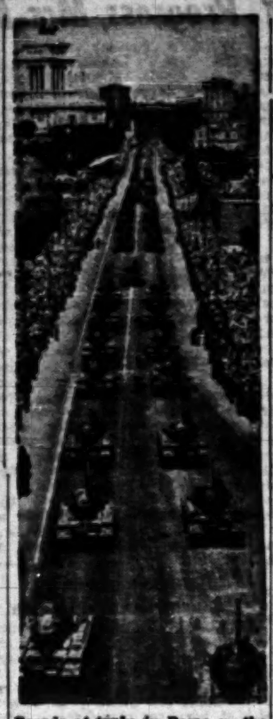
If the new Allied proposals on Trieste have been correctly described in the recent "leaks," they are not likely to be acceptable to the present rickety Italian Government. Last October, the Allies suggested that Zone A, with the City of Trieste, should go to Italy, and Zone B to Yugoslavia. Yugoslavia and Italy both moved up troops; there were riots and deaths in Trieste and the British Embassy in Rome was stoned. The name of General Winterton, the British military commander who governs Trieste, was execrated by all Italians for a few weeks.

The new proposals are said to be exactly the same as those of October, except that certain Slav villages in Zone A would be included in Zone B and given to Yugoslavia. (The Communist Press here published a list of these villages weeks ago.) The leaks make no reference to Italian villages in Zone B. This, and the fact that the Allies are said to be going to help Tito to build a port in Zone B, which would detract from the wealth of Trieste City, will make the proposals less welcome than those which went up in a blaze of recrimination and disorder eight months ago.

All the same, the fact that Italy can enter the negotiations with the knowledge that the Allies can stand up to Tito, as they did over the Balkan Pact, is a big face-saver.

All this will also have its effect on the ratification of the European Defence Community treaty. The ratification Bill now has been in committee for two months. The Communists and Socialists are, of course, dead against it. The Government itself tends to want to go ahead without attaching any strings. "We are with the West," they say; "neither Trieste nor anything else is going to change that, so let's get on with it."

But there is a muttering undercurrent in the Left of the Christian Democrat Party which wants to subordinate



Parade of tanks in Rome on the eighth anniversary of the proclamation of the Italian Republic. Express Photo

ratification to a favourable solution of Trieste. After all, they say, the French made conditions about the Saar, so why shouldn't we? In the little Social Democrat Party, too, on which the Government relies for its slender majority, there is muttering at constituency level.

But the parliamentary arithmetic of ratification was changed by a dramatic event on the Right last week. The Royalist Party, which has 40 Deputies — that is, as many as the three lay centre Parties together, on which the Government now relies — has always been hostile to ratification of EDC. It has a strong nationalist element, and does not like the idea of an Italian soldier taking orders from a foreigner.

LAURO

The *prima donna* of the Royalist Party was Achille Lauro, "the Commander" as he is called, a great, fat shipowner who is Mayor of Naples. Lauro pays for the flowers in the city squares out of his own pocket and many of the slum-dwellers have his picture on their walls between those of the Madonna and Saint Januarius, the twice-yearly liquefaction of whose blood is the high spot of the Neapolitan calendar. (There is a pleasant story going round now of an old "Laurino," or follower of Lauro, a little poor man in rags and with shoes made of leather cushion-covers he had picked out of a dustbin, who, in discussing official royalist policy, said: "Rather than that we would sell our ships.")

This genial paternalist, Lauro, was elected Senator while he was also Mayor of Naples; the Senate decided, as it could not fail to decide, that this was unconstitutional, and unseated him. This led to a row between Lauro and Covelli, the leader of the Royalists in Parliament, who, Lauro said, had betrayed him. And now suddenly, Lauro has left the Party and set up a rival "Popular Royalist Party." The ex-King, Umberto, has wisely not yet declared which Party represents his claims; but the important thing is that Lauro's new group supports the ratification of EDC.

At present, Lauro has only eight or nine Deputies supporting him, but if he gets more, as he well may — for Covelli is a colourless character — the whole political scene may change. The Christian Democrat Government may no longer have to rely on the Social Democrats to get E.D.C. through, and, if they throw over the lay centre in favour of the "Popular Royalist Party," the whole economy and body politic can be expected to fall away from its present possibility of reform and modernization back into the stagnant slough where it has lain for so long.

MEET YOUR CORRESPONDENT

The Hon. Wayland Hilton Young was born in 1923 and educated at Stowe School and Trinity College, Cambridge, England, where he read modern history and also music. He served from 1942-45 as an ordinary seaman in the light coastal forces of the Royal Navy and later as a junior officer in the Admiralty. After the war he worked for a year in the Foreign Office in London, and then went to Italy where he stayed from 1947-48, writing a book, "The Italian Left," a history of Socialism in Italy, published by Longmans in 1949.

From 1949-51, he again served in the Foreign Office as an established member of the Foreign Service, working mainly on Euro-European trade and payments and NATO economics, also the international arms traffic. In 1949, he resigned from the Foreign Service in order to write, and has since published two novels, "The Boatwright" (1952) and "Now or Never" (1953).

Dow Chemical Adviser To Survey Dead Sea

DR. W. Hirschkind, one of the outstanding research workers in the field of industrial chemistry in the United States, is now on his first visit to Israel. The visit is an outcome of his deep interest in the economic development of the State, especially in the sphere of chemicals. He is taking the opportunity of meeting many leaders of development and has lectured at the Weizmann Institute of Science, of which he is the guest here. One of the major features of his interest in Israel is in the potentialities of Dead Sea minerals, and he may be expected to submit a full report on the prospects to the Dow Chemical Company.

Dr. Hirschkind was a student of the late Prof. Fritz Haber, close friend of Dr. Chaim Weizmann at the Institute of Technology at Karlsruhe. In 1912, he went to America to attend the eighth International Congress of Applied Chemistry, and was offered and accepted an instructorship in Chemistry at the University of Illinois.

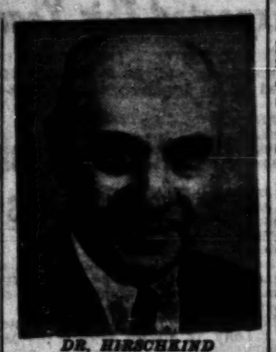
Two years later, he moved to California and undertook pioneer research on the recovery of alkalis and other constituents from natural brines. He was successively employed by Natural Soda Products Co. and California Alkali Co. until 1917, when he became a research chemist with the Great Western Electro-Chemical Company. Thirteen years later, in 1930, he was made vice-president in charge of research and development for the company.

After Great Western had merged with the Dow Chemical Company in 1930, forming one of the largest chemical manufacturing corporation in the United States, Dr. Hirschkind continued as the Western Division research director until 1952. In the latter year he was appointed Technical Adviser to the President of Dow Chemical, which has its main plan at Midland, Michigan.

Investigated German Industry

Dr. Hirschkind has occupied a number of prominent posts in the public service of America. He was Technical Investigator of the German chemical industry for the U.S. Army in 1945, and then became Research Consultant for the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission.

In 1951 he was appointed Technical Adviser to the Rubber, Drugs and Chemical Division of the Office of Price Stabilization in Washington, D.C.



DR. HIRSCHKIND

His principal activities have been in the field of alkalis and other heavy chemicals, chlorine and bromine compounds, flotation reagents and organic chlorinations. He has published a number of articles and papers, and holds a series of patents as a result of his research. *J.M.*

Small Nations in Council

By HELENA CHARLES

THE Fourth Congress of the Federal Union of European Nationalities and Regions took place at Muenster, Westphalia, from May 21-23. Muenster was one of the chief centres of resistance to Nazism. It was the see of Bishop von Galen, who was famous for his outspoken opposition to Hitler. This fact, however, did not save the town from obliteration bombing, as the Prussians, during the last century, had destroyed a church to build a barracks on the site, and there were important military installations.

The choice of Muenster for the Congress was curious. The Westphalians do not claim to be a nationality, or a national community; indeed, they are loud in their insistence that they are not. But they are inordinately proud of their folklore, and of their version of Low German. Their pressing invitation to hold the Congress in Muenster was accepted.

The Union was founded in 1949 by a Breton Federalist, but for reasons of internal organization it had not met since 1951. During the interval, both the Walloon President, Charles Plisnier, and the young West Frisian Vice-President, Dr. van der Meulen, had died. The movement was therefore virtually starting from scratch, and the first task was to agree on the new statutes. The name and purpose were eventually agreed unanimously:

"The F.U.E.N.R. is composed of nationalities who either do not form their own state or live outside a state of their own nationality, and European communities whose language and culture are threatened. Its purpose is the preservation of national personalities and cultures, based on a federal construction of the European community, which will secure to the nationalities and regions self-government and the maintenance of their special characteristics."

Link with U.N.

The Union is associated with the work of the U.N. and the Council of Europe through its General Secretary, who was at one time a Danish representative at Strasbourg.

There were delegations from the Danish minority in Germany and the German minority in Denmark, Frisians from Germany and from the Netherlands, French-speaking Walloons from Belgium, Bulgarians and Rumanians, from Macedonia, and, from the United Kingdom, Welshmen, Scotsmen and Cornishmen.

The newly elected President is Dr. W. Kok, the West Frisian leader, who is a great admirer of what has been achieved in Israel. The choice of Danes as General Secretary and Head of the Information Bureau was welcomed by all. Denmark has an unimpeachable record with regard to its own minorities in the Faroes and Greenland, and a vital interest in the work of the Union, on account of the Danish and German minorities. Both the Danish and Frisian minorities in Germany are suffering at the moment. The North Frisians, who have with toil and sweat reclaimed large areas from the sea, now find that land deliberately swamped by a flood of organized German immigrants who constitute a threat to the Frisian economy and culture. The Danes of South Slesvig are no better off. Vast numbers of refugees from the Eastern zone, who are often people with no democratic tradition, are directed into the area, and employers are given favourable terms if they employ them.

Danes' Plight

The position of Danish schools is made increasingly difficult. Their grants have recently been cut, and under a law, the Danish community is deprived of all parliamentary representation, as they do not poll five per cent of all the votes cast in the whole state of Schleswig-Holstein. There have been ugly outbreaks of violence against the Danes. The pattern is horribly familiar.

The decision of the Congress to bring these complaints before the United Nations was warmly applauded by the Westphalians, who pointed out that, if the Germans object to the Italianization of the Southern Tyrol, they should not attempt to Germanize other areas. Macedonian complaints of ill-treatment by the Greeks will be discussed by the Executive Committee.

The slogan of the Congress was pronounced by Graf Matushka, one of the two Vice-Presidents (the other is the Walloon leader, Maitre Carlier) who concluded his address with the words of St. Thomas Aquinas, "Europe is a unity composed of manifold richness of diversity." In the last resort, the aim of the Union is the preservation of both that unity and that diversity.

Readers' Letters

EIN HOD

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir,—The village of Ein Hod, which was deserted and neglected until a year ago (see *The Jerusalem Post*, December 25, 1953), has now come to life with 60 families either permanently settled or visiting there, during their vacations. Most are painters or sculptors, with a small percentage of architects, writers and musicians.

The aim of the settlers is to convert Ein Hod by means of arts and crafts schools and work shops, into a living artists' work village that will give most of its residents work and a means of livelihood. In addition, every settler will be given the chance and the necessary assistance to set up a small auxiliary farm. Thus it is hoped that many part-time residents will eventually be able to give up their occupations in town.

Assistance was provided by the Ministry of Labour in the way of emergency work days, which made possible the work of clearing up the village area, and by the Municipality of Haifa, which helped by meeting the settlers' request to lay an asphalt road leading to the centre of the village. Ein Hod is also deeply grateful to its neighbour, the co-operative settlement of Nir Etzion, for its unstinted supply of water and for other aid.

The settlers have already set up an art gallery and a cultural centre. A number of old structures have been saved from collapse, among them old oil presses which are to serve as antiquity museums.

Yours etc.,
THE LOCAL COMMITTEE
Ein Hod.

OVERFLOWING CESSPOOLS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In your issue of April 5, you printed a letter by Molly Lyons Bar-David with reference to cesspools in the Talbieh quarter.

Our office has done everything it can to maintain the cesspool of Mrs. Bar-David's house in a satisfactory condition. All the repairs requested by the Sanitation Department of the Municipality were executed to its satisfaction.

However, the painful problem of overflowing cesspools in Talbieh will not be solved except through the connection of this quarter with the main drainage system.

A. SHARVIT
Public Relations Officer, Development Authority.
Jerusalem, June 7.

MUSICAL DIARY

ZADEL Skolovsky offered an attractive programme at the Y.M.C.A. on Saturday. His interpretation of Mendelssohn's inventive variations sérieuses brought out its architectural construction and the religious feeling it derived from Bach. The "Midsummer Night's Dream" mood came through in the eighth variation; the Schumannesque was unmistakable in the 11th.

Though there were enjoyable moments about Chopin's unrivalled sonata in B Minor op. 58, the young guest-pianist's interpretation was lacking in personality and even his technique was not quite unobjectionable.

Mr. Skolovsky is decidedly at his best with modern music. His performance of Hindemith's sonata No. 2 (from a "Group of six" sonatas of 1936, so to speak), which seems to us the most inspired since Prokofieff's seventh, was dynamic. But we were completely thrilled by Milhaud's "Saudades do Brazil," and by the charm of Godovsky's "In old Vienna."

Wagman's Progress

AT the piano recital sponsored on Monday night at the Y.M.C.A. by the Jerusalem branch of the Israel Aero Club, we felt Yahli Wagman was nothing short of a genius. His profound maturity penetrates his performance of any kind of music and it combines with his phenomenal technique to imprint the stamp of the virtuoso.

Mr. Wagman's approach to Bach's Toccata in Major was highly individualistic — delicate and reflective. His rendition of Schubert's swan song, the Sonata in B Flat Major, was melancholy and moving. His performance of Brahms' Intermezzo No. 6, op. 118 was lyrical and introspective.

In another kind of music we met another kind of interpreter. Prokofieff's early "Sarcasms" became the dawn of a revolution, in which a martellato of irresistible power alternated with mocking pantomime. The three pieces from Boskovitz's Semitic Suite were rendered with volcanic temperament. Mr. Wagman also did full justice to Francois Poulenc's enchanting Pastorale, to a Rachmaninoff "Moment musical," and to "la Marfia bouffonne," a gay and colourful Milhaud.

Liszt, however, was the high point of the occasion. The dramatic way in which Wagman — who looks strikingly like Orson Welles — rendered the Mephisto Waltz, a witches' sabbath sonfuoco, and the third rhapsody reminded us of the unforgettable William Kapell and made us hope that some day Mr. Wagman will favour us in Jerusalem with Beethoven's "Diabelli" variations.

We wonder why Yahli Wagman has not appeared with the Kol Yisrael Orchestra in the past four years. He was the soloist in a Philharmonic concert two years ago: he has greatly improved since then. Like any real artist, young Mr. Wagman is never satisfied with himself.

FRANGO

In Tel Aviv

MICHAEL Taube led the ninth "special" subscription concert of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra (at the Ohel Shem Hall on Sunday). The programme was introduced with a novelty, a Ballet Suite from Gluck's "Orpheus," arranged by Mr. Taube himself. As a matter of fact, the piece doesn't use the opera's ballet sequences exclusively, but it makes pleasant listening. The fervently dramatic substance of the music, however, was not felt.

Gluck was followed by Schubert's "unfinished" symphony—an intelligent choice in the pursuit of musical evolution. The second part of the programme brought a repeat performance of Rachmaninoff's second piano concerto, played by Zadel Skolovsky, and Rossini's "Semiramis" overture.

Shalom Aharoni

WE heard part of a programme which offered music by Shalom Aharoni at the Z.O.A. House. The sonata for violin and piano (played by Shlomo Garter and E. Rudiakov) is too influenced by the romanticism of Brahms to be effective. I preferred the songs (on texts by J. Karmi and Bialik) which were sung by Ada Shor, with Rudiakov accompanying at the piano.

Oriental Ensembles

THE "Jerusalem Ensemble," led by Joseph Ben-Israel and drawn from six Oriental communities and the Druze offered "Biblical Tents" at the open-air auditorium of the Z.O.A. House. We saw Bukharian, Jerusalem, Yemenite, Azerbaijan, and Druze ensembles dancing in their original costumes and playing on such strange instruments as the "hahmantza," the "tar" and a primitive flute. The various performances were rather dull.

When the manager of the show states in the programme notes that it offers "a wide range of Jewish art and music from the Orient....expressing a people's longing for return to its homeland...here are the dances, the songs, the spirit of Oriental Jewry," the audience is misled. These dances, songs, and costumes belong to the non-Jewish Uzbeks and Azerbaijans probably no less, and perhaps even more, than to their compatriots of the Jewish faith.

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Singers for Requiem

ISRAEL music lovers will have their first opportunity to hear a group of internationally famous singers from abroad when the four top-ranking soloists engaged for the I.P.O. performances of the Verdi Requiem arrive here shortly. Conductor Ferenc Fricsay, who will direct the Requiem, himself secured their services during his recent concert tour in the U.S.A. and Europe.

The four newcomers to the I.P.O. are Frances Yeend, famed soprano to the New York Metropolitan Opera; the Yugoslav mezzo-soprano Marianna Radev of La Scala in Milan, the Italian tenor Gabor Carelli of the New York Metropolitan and Finland's leading baritone, Kim Borg, of the Copenhagen Opera. The group is due to arrive in two parties, on June 23 and 28.

The opening concert will take place in Tel Aviv, at the open-air auditorium of the Z.O.A. House, on June 30. Mr. Fricsay is already having daily rehearsals with the Tel Aviv Chamber Choir of 170 singers.

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Five-o'Clock Town

By GERDA L. COHEN

Jeeps began rattling into town from north and south. They kept rattling in until midnight or so, chasing each other's tails down the alleys and appearing like the brooms of the Sorcerer's Apprentice. Jeeps with water-diviners, locust-experts, dam-builders, oil-explorers, and potash-purifiers, smuggled into the herb. The locust-demolishers went in a body to the Hotel Eilat. Young Tahal (Water Planning for Israel Ltd.) men headed for a neat private room. The address will not be divulged, as clean accommodation in Beersheba is almost non-existent. Both miniature hotels fill up with builders of the Negev, leaving no room for tourists stranded overnight. Still — there are the foundations of a technicians' hostel with a swimming pool.

Kaolin Transport

Ten-tonners laden with rock-salt and kaolin groaned towards the industrial zone. Empty trucks sped north and southward. The biggest lorries drag a trailer: each had a family name — Titanic — and a *sobriquet* like Malka or Ophra, written boldly across the fender. The 40 Titanics came from Italy, and are the only trucks to haul minerals from the Negev all over Israel.

As the day's glare faded into benevolence, prams and mules and men with barrows surged onto the main street. Begrimed miners jump off a lorry smack into a peanut stall. They return from work white with dust or black with grease. Thirsty as hell — guess sales leap around five o'clock. Model husbands do the shopping before boarding a bus for the New Town.

Factory workers and builders pour onto the asphalt sweep linking old Beersheba with the "Histadrut empire." A long high wall at one end, and a field destined to become a railroad siding at the other mark the frontier of this industrial zone. Behind the wall lie Soiel Boneh machine shops, garages and stores of imposing proportion. Next door, Hamashbir Hamerkazi has gone beyond the foundations of a flour mill, to the pleasure of residents who remember recurrent bread shortages. Like gigantic grasshoppers ready to take off, drilling-machinery cranes beside the prefab offices of the oil-exploration company — Lapidot Ampal.

The ultra-modern ceramics plant, Kharsa, is the glory of the Histadrut empire here. Enough lavatory bowls are stacked outside to supply the whole Middle East. Piles of gleaming white sinks adorn the drive. Kharsa profited by the mistakes made in its obsolete Haifa factory, and constructed a plant with the last word in glazing and firing equipment. After some uncomfortable experience with porous washbowls, Kharsa learned to use kaolin from the Malchtesh instead of imported clay. The next problem is to find markets. A pity that people buy *W.C.*'s so rarely.

Boulders of kaolin are also being ground into a powder-base for insecticide at the huge enterprise, "Makhteshim," which consists of several plants deployed over a wide tract, gracefully laced with scaffold, steel arteries piercing concrete limbs. The only section that has been completed is the green kaolin mill: sacks of dusting-powder were already being loaded. The chlorine plant should soon begin turning salt from Sdom into caustic soda, the base of D.D.T. and many insect-killers. Grey blocks of rock-salt clutter the yard, ready to go through electrolysis and release their chlorine. What is now a concrete shell will produce copper fungicides, and another section will turn out sulphur insecticides.

The Histadrut empire also has its monumental ruin: a colonnade of pillars which once bore the fabric of a glass factory. Last year the Phoenicia management in Haifa discovered that it couldn't sell enough glass to keep their furnace alight; all the machinery was removed from the daughter-plant in Beersheba until such time as business might improve. Meanwhile, silica sand travels by Titanic from the Negev to the Haifa glass factory; and glass costs more than it should.

Despite all the factories, the building and the mines "we've even got unemployed," said a town-proud citizen waving at an office, the courtyard of which was crowded with shouting men. "You think it's noisy now, don't you? You should come when the *scandalistas* are here." They seemed to be creating enough din without the help of trouble-makers. The Labour Exchange man unbarred a gate and let us in with difficulty. "All these fellows could earn IL.4.100 a day, if they wanted to," he confided, "but they think it's not worth planting 250 trees in eight hours for so little pay. The old men find it hard to keep up—and the young men are just damn lazy." He admitted that the Keren Kayemet often delayed paying wages for two or three months.

No one appeared perturbed at having no job for the day ahead. Licking ice-cream, the boys sauntered into the darkening town, to join their pals at the pavement cafe. At the top of the main street, radios blared jazz; at the bottom near the market, Arab guitars twanged plaintively in the dusk. Nothing much to do in Beersheba of an evening.

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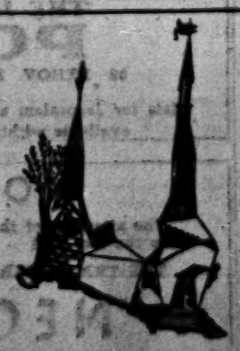

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